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## CAPTAIN OF ILL FATED MONROE MAKES GRAVE ALLEGATIONS

NANTUCKET'S CAPTAIN WAS INCAPABLE OF MANAGING  
THE BOAT AND WAS NEGLIGENT.

## HAS INSTITUTED DAMAGE SUIT FOR A ROUND MILLION DOLLARS

Strong Allegations Are Submitted in His Bill of Complaint, After  
Reciting in a Technical Way the Causes of the Collision and Loss of Life.

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 31.—Declaring the sinking of his vessel was due to the negligence and carelessness of those in command of the steamer Nantucket, Capt. E. E. Johnson, commanding the ill-fated steamer Monroe, filed a libel against the former vessel late today. He claims a million dollars damages. The libel was filed in the United States district court at the point and served on officials of the Merchants and Miners' Transportation company at Norfolk and Baltimore.

Capt. Johnson alleges that the Monroe was proceeding at half speed or less before the accident and had laid to after hearing fog whistles. He says the Nantucket came upon him at such speed that a collision was unavoidable, although he had ordered his ship ahead at full speed to avoid the crushing blow of the Merchants and Miners' steamer.

After describing the disaster from a technical standpoint, Capt. Johnson says: "The libellant further alleges that by reason of said collision he has suffered damages in the total loss of the said steamer Monroe, with her stores and munitions, her cargo and freight, and the effects of the master and mariners aboard, which were lost."

well as the baggage and personal effects of the passengers, which were lost, and on account of the expenses arising out of said collision, in a sum which the libellant is at present unable to state with accuracy, but which upon information and belief he avers will amount to upward of \$1,000,000.

A Serious Charge.  
"The libellant further recites that the collision was in no way caused by the fault or negligence of those on board of or in charge of the navigation of the steamer Monroe, but was due solely to the carelessness, negligence and faulty navigation of those on board of and in charge of the steamer Nantucket, and especially in the following particulars:

"In not having a competent master and crew; in failing to give the signals required by law of a vessel under way in a fog; in proceeding at a high rate of speed in foggy weather; in not stopping her engines when she heard the fog whistles from the Monroe; in failing to keep and maintain making absolutely no efforts to avoid the collision, but, instead, coming on with undiminished speed after she had heard the signals from the Monroe; in that the Nantucket was carelessly and negligently managed."

## "CHAMP" CLARK ON THE HUSTINGS

We Can Now "Point  
With Pride" to Our  
Record, He Says.

## DISCUSSES TARIFF

Says New Currency Law Fur-  
nished Substitute for the  
Worst Ever.

Amesbury, Iowa, Jan. 31.—Pride in what the Democratic party has accomplished since it came into control of the government, less than a year ago, and confidence in the program of the administration to complete the work of carrying out the promises of the party's platform, tonight was voiced here by Speaker Champ Clark in a campaign speech for Henry Volmer, Democratic nominee for congress to succeed the late Representative Irvine S. Pepper.

"For sixteen long and wearisome years," said the speaker, "all the Democrats could do was to promise what they would accomplish if they were given power. Now all that is changed. We can with pride and pleasure talk about what we have done and also about what we intend to do."

"At the election in 1912 every intelligent man within the confines of the republic knew that if we carried the election there would be an extra session of congress, and that the first great premise we undertook to carry out would be to revise the tariff. We proceeded as promptly as possible to the work of revising the tariff downward. In my judgment it is the best tariff bill ever put on the statute books. If there were no other good features in it, the income tax section would be a masterpiece of legislation."

Referring to the currency bill, the speaker said "the new law furnished a substitute for one of the worst currency systems in the world."

"It provides a working scheme," he continued, "for the currency when the increase is needed and for contracting when the public need demands it. The bill authorizes the national banks to loan money on good farm lands, and it is believed and hoped that it will to a very large extent prevent panics."

"It is claimed that it lodges too much power in the hands of the president and that it will not bear the light of day. Power has to be lodged somewhere. The only question is that regard is whether it is better to lodge the immense power conferred in your currency bill in the president of the United States, or in the hands of some private citizen. So far as I am concerned, I choose the former."

"We intend now to proceed to redeem certain other promises in the Democratic platform by enacting laws on the subjects of trusts; the farmers' banks and perhaps on the Philippines."

## JUDGE WILSON IS DETAINED

Civil Court Will Not Convene  
Until Tuesday on Account  
of Judge's Absence.

Court of Common Pleas, which should have convened in Anderson tomorrow morning, will not open until Tuesday, this being due to the fact that Judge Wilson, who is to preside here, was called to Sumter by the death of his brother-in-law.

W. H. Ingram, the Sumter man who was among the victims in the ship collision which occurred in Chesapeake bay early Friday morning, was a brother-in-law of Judge Wilson's and the judge hastened to Sumter immediately upon receiving notification of the sad fate which had overtaken his kinsman.

Little inconvenience will be caused by the delay in court convening, owing to the fact that the court always adjourns on Saturdays, and tomorrow is Saturday for Anderson county.

## Mexican Situation Is in Best of Hands

Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 31.—In a speech in this State today Champ Clark, returned briefly to the Mexican situation, saying that it was being handled by the president, who was in constant touch with things in Mexico, and who knows "more about the situation probably than any other man in America."

"It seems to me," he concluded, "that the people of the United States ought to support him and his policies and to remember that silence is golden when we refer to these matters. I have no sort of doubt that the president and the Democrats in congress will work along in harmony for the glory and prosperity of the republic."

## SPEER RETORTS WITH MUCH FIRE

Comes Back Strong at  
the District At-  
torney.

## DIVERGING VIEWS

Akerman Was Too Tender to the  
Liquor Interests, Says  
the Jurist.

(By Associated Press.)  
Savannah, Ga., Jan. 31.—Federal Judge Emory Speer, of the Southern District of Georgia, characterized today as "malevolent distortions" most of the charges made by witnesses before the congressional committee investigating alleged misconduct of the jurist. At the hearings, which have been in progress in this city and Macon, Ga., for the past two weeks, were concluded.

Members of the congressional subcommittee declined to intimate the nature of their report to the house judiciary committee. Judge Speer was given three weeks in which to file a reply brief in reply to the testimony of the seventy witnesses examined by the committee. It is understood that the committee will not be made until two weeks after the subcommittee has received this brief.

The intense feeling manifested by Judge Speer, when on three occasions he interrupted the testimony of witnesses was not apparent while the jurist was on the stand today. Members of the committee declined to allow Judge Speer to read specially prepared statements and counsel for

would have to be sworn and testify as any other witness.

When it became known that Judge Speer had agreed to appear in this way Chairman Webb announced that no additional witnesses would be heard. The jurist began his testimony with a denial of the charges made yesterday before the committee by District Attorney Alexander Akerman. Mr. Akerman testified that Judge Speer had threatened to send to jail any lawyer who sought to disqualify him in a case in which Judge Speer's son-in-law, A. H. Heyward, was counsel.

Denounced Akerman  
After this denial Judge Speer denounced Akerman, declaring: "Our differences grow out of our diverging views on questions involving the welfare of the people dependent. Mr. Akerman allied himself with the liquor interests and insisted that I not prosecute certain liquor cases."

"I did not like, his accepting employment from the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, while he was district attorney, and I did not feel that Mr. Akerman was quite faithful in the naval store cases."

## STATE CAPITAL

Columbia, Jan. 31.—The Elks' home holding company of Anderson was commissioned Saturday by the secretary of state with a capital of \$10,000. The petitioners are W. L. Brissett and S. M. Wolfe.

The governor Saturday reduced the sentences of 14 convicts in the State penitentiary from Union, Lexington and Lee counties so that the men will have to serve their time on the county exchanges. "We have not enough men to work the State farms," said Superintendent D. J. Griffith today.

The Waltham Light and Power company was commissioned today with a capital of \$10,000. Petitioners are William A. Strother and J. W. Bell.

E. F. Warren was named as a special judge for the Haystack court today.

## Senator Lane "In Bad" For Fresh Remarks

Washington, Jan. 31.—Senator Lane of Oregon today was removed from the floor of the senate, in a parliamentary maneuver, by President Marshall, who held that Lane had violated the rule against reflecting on members. Senator Lane had charged that the interstate commerce committee's report on its hearing on his resolution for an inquiry into alleged granting of rebates to the steel corporation had been "doctored."

## MASS MEETING AT 1ST BAPTIST

To Plan for Coming of  
the State S. S. Con-  
vention.

## THE PROGRAMME

Every Christian Worker in Ander-  
son Invited—All Other  
Churches Close.

Indications are that the mass meeting of the great body of Sunday school workers in Anderson interested in the great annual convention which is to meet here will be largely attended when it is called to order at the first Baptist Church tonight. All other churches will be closed at night.

Various matters relative to the convention will be taken up and discussed, and in all probability the various committees will be instructed in the details of their work.

Mr. R. S. Ligon, president of the Wesleyan bible class of St. John's M. E. church, will preside as chairman, and Messrs. B. F. Mauldin, Baptist; J. R. Shelor, Presbyterian, and D. S. Taylor, Episcopalian, will act as vice chairmen. Mr. Fred Burnett of the Y. M. C. A. will be secretary and Mr. Whaley of the Chamber of Commerce will be treasurer.

The program follows:  
Invocation, Rev. John F. Vines.  
State convention, what it means, G. Cullen Sullivan.  
Spartanburg convention, as I saw it, Rev. J. W. Speake.  
Finance plan for Anderson convention, by chairman.

Two-minute talks, local ministers.  
Benediction, Rev. Dr. W. H. Frazer.  
The Sunday school auditorium will be open for the purpose of giving as to comfortably take care of all who may come.

The exercises will begin at 8 p. m. promptly.

## MR. TOWNSEND IS NO BETTER

Hospital Authorities See No Im-  
provement in His Con-  
dition.

It was said last night at the Anderson county hospital that H. C. Townsend's condition was decidedly grave. For a time he rallied and seemed to hold his own, but throughout the morning yesterday he seemed to grow weaker. However, hospital attendants stated last night that he had been holding his own during the afternoon and that so far as they could see he was no worse.

## "MY TOWN" VICTOR OVER GREENWOOD

Local Lads Won in Basket Ball  
From Soldier Boys Sat-  
urday.

One has but to glance at the score 15 to 16 to see what kind of basket ball game took place yesterday afternoon when the Anderson High School team and the Bailey Military Institute came together. The local lads won the event in handy style although as one of the cadets remarked been to a game.

The game was called by Fiferose the Central High School and some splendid playing was done by both sides. Masters for Bailey was easily the star of the visiting aggregation while Sam Jones, captain of the local team, was the best player on the field, regardless of side. He put up did Holder for his Anderson team.

The following is the way the lineup appeared when play was begun:  
Anderson—Jones, captain and forward; Bruce, center; Ballentine, sub center; Daniels, sub center; Holder, and Bowen guards.

B. M. I.—Masters, forward; Tarkington and Strickland centers; Walters and Crosby guards; Peoples, captain and guard.

The development of athletics at the Anderson High School is a matter deserving.

## BEAUMEY HURT

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 31.—Lincoln Beachey was severely injured late today when his aeroplane fouled a tree in a race with an automobile. The aeroplane was smashed.

## FOR GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP OF THE TELEPHONE SYSTEM

## LATEST NEWS

Governor of Virginia,  
Richmond, Va., Jan. 31.—Henry Carter Stewart today took the oath of office of governor of Virginia. He will qualify on Monday before the joint session of the general assembly.

Kern Peace-maker.  
Indianapolis, Jan. 31.—United States Senator John W. Kern, in an address to the United Mine Workers of America here late today, urged the organization to put aside petty squabbles and join together for a fight on the enemies of organized labor.

A Tug Downed.  
New York, Jan. 31.—The steamship Concho of the Matlory line, outward for Galveston, today rammed the tug Dinsdale, off the Statue of Liberty, sinking the tug almost immediately. Two deckhands were drowned. The Concho, undamaged, continued on her way. The tug was owned by a local coal company.

Insane Passenger.  
Bremerhaven, Germany, Jan. 31.—An insane stevedore passenger killed a German Lloyd steamer Brandeburg, on the voyage to this port from Galveston, Texas, whence she sailed Jan. 12. The madman fired six shots from a revolver into the body of the officer.

Charge Rebating.  
Chicago, Jan. 31.—Indictments charging rebating were returned by the federal grand jury here today against Swift & Co., the Pennsylvania railroad, the Panhandle line and the Chicago & Northwestern railroad.

Members I. C. C.  
Washington, Jan. 31.—President Wilson today nominated Winthrop Mory Daniels of Princeton, N. J., and Henry May Hall of Colorado Springs, Col., for members of the Interstate Commerce commission.

## To Offset Burden of Negro Population

Washington, Jan. 31.—Southern States will get more than their just share of the funds for farm demonstration work provided for in the Lever agricultural bill, according to Senator Cummins of Iowa, who today contended that the funds should not be distributed by a basis of rural population, but on farm land acreage.

Senator Vandaman replied that the South had to carry the burden of a negro population, and that the money was needed to offset that burden. Senator Hoke Smith said the rural population method was not adopted at his suggestion, or that of Representative Lever, but at that of a committee representing State agricultural colleges.

## An Official Inquiry Has Been Conducted

Norfolk, Va., Jan. 31.—A thorough investigation of yesterday's disaster at sea, when 41 persons lost their lives on the Old Dominion liner Monroe, has been completed by government port inspectors. Their findings probably will be made public next week.

## Jas. H. Craig Resigns His Post as Cashier

J. H. Craig, who has been the organizer and cashier of the Dime Savings Bank, has resigned his position with that institution and will shortly take up other duties. Mr. Craig has made a capable and efficient banker and the people of Anderson who have business to transact with that institution will regret to learn that he will no longer be connected with it.

It has been rumored that Mr. Craig would offer in the state campaign for the position of Comptroller General, but this is not the reason for his resignation, and it is said that he has something very much better in view. His many friends will always be glad of his success.

## HUERTA RUSHING MEN TO REINFORCE TORREON

Juarez, Mexico, Jan. 31.—Federal reinforcements today were ordered to Torreon, where the rebels are to make their last attack. Gen. Garcia Hidalgo, with 400 soldiers, left Saltillo to join Gen. Refugio Velasco, while Gustavo Maza, with 3,000 men, was sent out to maintain the railroad between Torreon and Saltillo, which it was feared, the rebels might destroy. As a precaution against a rebel advance from Durango State Gen. Arguendo marched eastward.

In all, the federal garrison at Torreon will be about 10,000, which will be slightly fewer than the attacking rebels.

Recommendations made  
by Postmaster Gen-  
eral Saturday.

## SENT TO SENATE WITH HIS O. K.

The Commission Which Drew Up  
Plans Headed by D. C. Roper  
of South Carolina.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Postmaster General Burleson today submitted to the senate the recommendations of the departmental commission appointed by him to investigate the practicability of government ownership by telephone and telegraph lines.

The report declared that "the only way to afford to the people the complete and modern postal facilities that the constitution makes it the duty of the government to provide" is by carrying out these suggestions:

"1. That congress declare a government monopoly over all telegraph, telephone and radio communication and such other means for the transmission of intelligence as may hereafter develop."

"2. That congress acquire by purchase at appraised value the commercial telephone network, except the farmer lines."

"3. That congress authorize the postmaster general to issue, in his discretion and under such regulations as he may prescribe, renewable licenses for the operation by private individuals, associations, companies and corporations of the telephone service and such parts of the telephone service as may not be acquired by the government."

The recommendations are signed by Daniel C. Roper, first assistant clerk, postoffice department, and John C. Koons, superintendent division of salaries and allowances, composing the committee.

"The private monopoly," states the report, "has no incentive to extend its facilities to unprofitable territory, but the government must serve all the people."

"It is economic waste to permit private enterprise to build up vast properties that eventually must be taken over by the government in resuming its constitutional monopoly at a cost out of all proportion to the value of the parts of such properties that may be utilized to advantage in the postal system."

Telegraph facilities have not been extended to the small towns and villages along with the government postal facilities.

"According to the best available data, the capitalization of the long distance and toll lines represents approximately \$200,000,000 and the capitalization of the entire commercial network approximately \$900,000,000. The cost to the government would be less than the appraised value, since it would be undesirable for the government to purchase the real estate holdings of the companies. Exchanges could be leased until accommodations could be provided in the postoffice and stations."

## SUSPECTED OF "YEGG" STUNT

Two Negroes Charged With Bar-  
gaining Safe and Store  
in 1908.

Charged with having some knowledge of a robbery committed at Gluck Mills in the year 1908, Willis Curry and Claude Tucker were lodged in jail yesterday. The crime committed consisted of breaking into the store at the Gluck Mills and also the postoffice.

At the time of the robbery the store reported that about \$100 metal checks were lost, and the arrest of the negroes yesterday was based upon the fact that they tried to pass some of the checks that were stolen. It is said that the checks showed signs of having been buried.

Only a small amount of money was secured by the robbery, when the burglary was committed, the total sum not reaching more than \$40.

The two negroes, when arrested yesterday, said that they had gotten the checks from another negro, and did not know that they had originally come from.